MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR: Now the point has been raised by one honourable member whether this House is competent to discuss the report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Audit Report and the Appropriation Accounts of the years 1117 and 1118 M. E., Can we proceed?

PRESIDENT: I have definitely come to the conclusion that the statement of expenditure and the audit report of the accounts of 1117 and 1118 cannot be dealt with by this House, under the Rules. I can only apply the Rules and I am clear on that matter.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS.

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS ACT (AMENDMENT) BILL.

MR. N. RAMAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Legal Remembrancer to Government*): Sir, I beg to move that the Travancore Registration of Births and Deaths Act (Amendment) Bill as passed by the Council be taken up for consideration.

MR. S. NARAYANA AIYAR: I second it.

The question that clauses 1 to 7 stand part of the Bill was put and carried. The clauses were added to the Bill.

The question that the preamble and title stand part of the Bill was put and carried. The Preamble and Title were added to the Bill.

MR. N. RAMAKRISHNA PILLAI: Sir, I move that the Bill be passed.

MR. S. NARAYANA AIYAR: I second it.

The motion was put and carried, and the Bill was passed.

THE TRAVANCORE INDUSTRIAL STATISTICS BILL.

MR. N. RAMAKRISHNA PILLAI: Sir, I beg to present the Report of the Select Committee on the Travancore Industrial Statistics Bill and move that the Bill as revised by the Committee be taken up for consideration.

MR. S. NARAYANA AIYAR: I second it.

The question that the Report of the Select Committee on the Travancore Industrial Statistics Bill be taken up for consideration was put and carried.

Clauses 1 to 7.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Sir, I have tabled some amendments to the Bill.

PRESIDENT: But there are no amendments up to clause 7.

The question that clauses 1 to 7 stand part of the Bill was put and carried.

The clauses were added to the Bill.

Clause 8.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Sir, I move that in Clause 8.

"For the words "two hundred and fifty rupees substitute the words "five hundred rupees" and for the words "one hundred rupees" substitute the words "two hundred rupees".

MR. M. L. JANARDHANA PILLAI: Sir, I oppose the amendment. Just for the information of the House, I shall read the relevant portions of the clause, about which the present amendment has been moved. If any person wilfully refuses or without lawful excuse neglets to furnish such information or return or wilfully furnishes or

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